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President's Message

Joe Olson

Hello Fellow Members.

The Board of Directors held a productive meeting in September. We voted to include a Home Page on the Internet for persons throughout the world. We hope to advertise the Coins for A's project on an international level. We are excited about sharing our numismatic heritage with young people through this program. From a budgetary standpoint, we will be looking at expenses and supply of material in order that things don't get out of hand.

As many of you are aware, our elections are just around the corner. The Board extended the final date for nominations to January 15, 1997. If you would like to serve, please send Barbara a letter of your desire to serve and your acceptance of the nomination. All offices are open for nomination of members of TNA. Of particular interest are the offices of President and Second Vice President. Our only restriction is that candidates for President must have served in an elected office on the TNA Board of Directors. Second Vice President generally is involved with TNA administration of our Show and Convention

We are very grateful to Mike Grant and Bob Metzger for their efforts on the TNA News and our receipt of ANA's award of third place in the state publications. This is the first time in recent memory that TNA has received an award for the TNA News Thank you both for giving us this recognition. It has been a long time coming Congratulations

Thank you.

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Barbara Lowell

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A Few Words From the Editor

Mike Grant

In this fall issue of the TNA News I will tell you of some of the exciting things that are taking place in numismatics.

The TNA held it's semi-annual board of directors meeting in Austin on Sunday, September 22nd. The 1997 TNA Show in Houston was a primary concern. It should be a great show, for those of you that will be coming make your reservations now. The board decided to invest in the future and take the TNA on the Internet with a home page designed to attract other collectors around the world. This will be set up in the near future and will cover a variety of things, as the TNA News does.

This issue has the official notification for nominations for all officer positions, for the 1997 year. Please take the time to nominate and/or vote for the officers of your choice, you have until January 15th to do this.

The show calander for 1997 is looking very good, I do not have all the Texas regional shows as of this issue. If you know of a show in your area please send me the information and I will see that it is in the callander of events, this is a free service.

We have the return of the $2 bill, which is being printed at the Fort Worth BEP facility. The government has proposed closing the operation of the WEB presses making some of the $1 bills, also called Web notes This has made these notes very collectible

The proposal of the circulating commemorative quarter program that will honor all fifty states, looks like it could become a reality in the near future. The regular commemorative program is in full production and has a number of new designs for 1997 for those that can't get enough commem's.

For those of you that thought the fifty cent piece was dead, you were wrong! The mint has the 1996 production distributed to the banks but they are not being widely distributed, if you want one you will probably have to ask your local bank to get them

The TNA Regular Convention and Show is scheduled for June 13-15, 1997, in Houston, at the J.W Marriott Hotel (Galleria), 5150 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX. Byron Paris is our Show Chairman and may be reached at (713) 261-3421 or (713) 558-1540 I am the Convention Coordinator again this year, contact me at (817) 428-6273 We can use the volunteer help to put on this event

We need articles for the TNA News from our members, please send your writing to me at the address on the front cover, thank you!

HARRY W. BASS, JR. RESEARCH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES NIP INDEXES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The Harry W. Bass, Jr. Research Foundation was brought into existence in December of 1991. The purpose of the Research Foundation is to keep intact in perpetuity rare and very significant collections of U.S. Numismatics to the end that they will be available to serious numismatists for purposes of education and research.

The Foundation announced in early February, 1996 the availability of a set of electronic indexes for numismatists which can be downloaded through the Internet. Called NIP, for the Numismatic Indexes Project, these eleven indexes provide any student or researcher an instantaneous way of locating what the scholarship of the past century has produced in major American numismatic periodicals. The indexes are in ASCII form, so can be used by any computer indexing system, and are made available free of charge to those interested in using this tool of research.

The eleven indexes cover a wide range of numismatic scholarship over many decades. From the American Numismatic Society they include: American Journal of Numismatics, 1866-1924; Museum Notes, 1945-1988; American Journal of Numismatics, Second Series, 1989-1995; Coinage of the Americas Conference (COAC), 1984-1995; Numismatic Notes and Monographs, 1921-1968; ANS Proceedings, 1878-1914. Five other periodicals are also included in NIP: The Numismatist (1888-1933); ANA Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, 1935-1975; Coin World; Numismatic Review (1944-1947); Stack's Coin Collectors Journal, 1875-1888; and Coin Collectors Journal, New Series, 1924-1964. For information on how to download them, subscribe at no charge via E-Mail to the mailing list/discussion group NumIndex-L by sending to:

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The Foundation presently owns over eight hundred items which will be of significant interest to the scholar and student of United States Numismatics. The present collection consists of over two hundred fifty different specimens of large size U.S. paper currency, together with over five hundred [illegible] patterns, experimentals and trial pieces. The currency covers the period from [illegible] currency at the beginning of the Civil War to the time it was withdrawn from circulation during the 1920's at which time it was replaced by smaller bills.

The Foundation collection consists of an outstanding representation of this area of Numismatics which is important to the researcher for a full understanding of the evolution of American currency. Many specimens are quite rare and all are in exemplary condition.

[illegible] interested in examining portions of the collections in pursuit of the Numismatic [illegible] contact the Foundation office at 8[illegible] Douglas Ave., Suite 14[illegible] [illegible] 24-696-[illegible] for more [illegible].

Circulating Commemorative Proposal 50-State Bill Thru House

The House of Representatives passed the 50 states circulating commemorative quarter bill. The act was proposed by Rep Michael Castle, R-Del. The bill provides for five new designs to be issued every year for the next 10 years. If the senate and the President approve of the legislation the first coins could be issued in 1997

A provision in the legislation would also allow the Secretary of the Treasury to authorize the sale to collectors of 90% silver, 10% copper quarters with the same designs as the circulating commemorative coins.

The coins are scheduled to be released in the order that their respective states were created or joined the Union. This will mean that the states on the eastern seaboard will most likely have circulating commems years before the western part of the country will

Mint Engravers in Philadelphia are already at work producing sketches of what the eagle on the reverse of the coin may look like The Secretary of the Treasury in consultation with state officials, the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee and the Commission of Fine Arts will select designs for the other side of the coins.

The circulating commemorative coin concept could produce $225 million. This is figured by the difference between the face value of the coins and their cost of production assuming that the quarter production would rise by 50% The production of these coins would save about $16 million in annual interest on the national debt

1996 Halves

If you have not seen any 1996 half dollars this year you are not alone The 1996-S Kennedy half dollar is in the Proof sets, but so far collectors have not seen any of the 1996-D, or the 1996 plain in circulation.

According to the U.S Mint most are probably still in the Federal Reserve Banks. The entire circulating production of 1996 halves, 48,066,000 was struck during the first two months of the year

Kennedy half dollars are often seen in gambling areas such as Atlantic City, and Las Vegas. The Federal Reserve District Banks have received these halves all accross the country You may have to ask your local bank to get them for you

Three New Commemorative Coin Programs

The House Banking and Financial Services Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy has approved three commem. coin programs Five hundred thousand silver $1 coins commemorating Black Patriots of the Revolutionary War, issued in 1998. One hundred thousand gold $5 coins commemorating the Dec. 14, 1799, death of George Washington, issued in 1999 Five hundred thousand silver $1 coins commemorating the 150th anniversary of the death of Dolley Madison, first lady to two presidents, issued in 1999

The Black Patriots coin proceeds will be used to extablish the Black Patriots Memorial on the National Mall in Washington, D.C The George Washington coin proceeds will go to the Mount Vernon Ladies' Assoc , to support the preservation of Washington's home, and help educate the American public about George Washington. The Dolley Madison coin proceeds will go to the National Trust for Historic Preservation to support Montpelier, the Virginia home of James and Dolley Madison

$2 Notes, 1995 Series Printed at Fort Worth BEP

The series 1995 $2 Federal Reserve notes, identical in design to the Series 1976 "Bicentennial notes" of two decades ago, are in production and may be in circulation by the end of the year

The last of the Series 1976, $2 notes were produced in 1979 The notes were never popular with the public. Merchants did not have cash drawers with slots for the notes and the general public was unused to having a bill between the $1 and $5.

Many in numismatic circles were surprised when it was announced during the summer that $2 FRN production would resume Many collectors wanted to know how they could aquire the notes This may be one idea that helps the collecting interest of the public

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Call for Nominations

This is your official call for nomination of officers to serve in the 1997-1998 term, as required by the bylaws.

Who must be nominated?
Candidates for the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and all District Governors. Each current officeholder is eligible to serve an additional term, except the President.

Who may make nominations?
Any individual member of TNA may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate or life member of TNA to the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Any TNA Chapter may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate, or life member of TNA, and who also resides the Chapter's district, to the office of District Governor for that district.

What restrictions are there?
1) No one may serve as President unless he or she has previously served in an elective office of TNA.
2) Any nominee who would handle or have access to TNA funds must be bondable.
3) A nominee for an office of District Governor must be a resident of the district he or she would represent.
4) All nominees must be willing to serve, and must accept their nominations in writing.

How are nominations made?
They must be made in writing and must be accompanied by the nominee's acceptance, both of which are sent to the Secretary.

When must the nominations be received?
Not later than January 15, 1997

What must each nominee do?
1) Agree to serve the Association to the best of his or her ability.
2) Prepare a letter of acceptance to accompany the nomination.
3) Submit a short biographical sketch, suitable for publication in the *TNA News*, with the nomination.

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Interest Income	30.9	28.7
Donations-Coins for A's	0.00	0.0
Donations-General Use	0.00	0.0
Total Revenue	107.95	100.0
EXPENSES:		
Office of the President	$ 0.00	0.0%
Office of the Secretary	0 00	0.0
Office of Treasurer		
Office of the Medal Officer	6.15	5.7
Office of the Editor	0.00	0.0
Total Expenses	6.15	5.7
Net Operating Income (Loss)	101.80	94.3%
Income/(Loss) From Operations	101.80	94.3%
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Get Involved!!
Exhibit at TNA 1997

Probably one of the hardest things for collectors to do is to get involved in their hobby With the fast pace and tight schedules most of us keep these days, it is always easier to say later *"Getting involved,"* means more than just buying, selling, and/or trading material in your collection. Getting involved also means joining clubs, exhibiting, writing, etc We as hobbyists, can come up with many reasons to avoid getting involved. We just don't have the time, resources, or quality of material required While some of these are valid excuses, others are just easy methods to justify not getting involved However, once you finally take a few minutes and get involved, you will quickly see the advantages of doing so One of the best ways to get involved is to exhibit Although putting together a quality exhibit takes time, planning ahead makes it easier While it does take time to put together an exhibit, you have a mere 7 months to do it, which is ample time. So, plan early and exhibit at TNA in '97!

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TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION COINS FOR A's PROGRAM A HUGE SUCCESS

The Texas Numismatic Association been giving away thousands of coins of all types and kinds to school children under the age of 18. The students simply send a copy of their report cards,with a self addressed stamped envelope to Mr. Jim Fitzgerald, at 346-B Harwood, Hurst, TX 76054, and he will send them coins for the A's on each report card.

The program is the brain child of Mr. Bob Metzger, it started when Bob was trying to find away to get more young people involved in the numismatic world. With the help of some friends and dealers donations toward his idea, Bob was able to give coins to any school kid with an a on his report card This program started out with just a few kids in the Texas area but quickly spread nation wide when word got out. Now letters come in from all fifty states requesting coins for A's. At the end of 1995 over 150 students had asked for coins for their A's. The number of students with A's on their report cards semester after semester shows they are keeping up their grades and getting rewarded

Students have been requesting certain coins or currency from other countries they may have visited or just like. The vast majority are requesting older U.S coins and paper money. A few students have even asked for a particular coin, we try to give them the coins or currency they ask for.

The program works through donations of coins and money form TNA members and dealers all over the United States. These people and clubs have donated over $3,000 to the program so far. Without people like this we could never achieve the results we have.

To participate in the program all you have to do is follow these easy steps

1) Send a photocopy of your most recent report card with A's.
2) Enclose a self addressed, stamped envelope for the coins to return in
3) List the items you would like or need, or be surprised.
4) You do not have to be a TNA member to get coins, but we would love to have you join.
5) Send your report card to Jim Fitzgerald, 346-B Harwood, Hurst, Texas 76054

SHARE YOUR IDEAS ABOUT NUMISMATICS WITH YOUR FELLOW COLLECTORS: SEND YOUR ORIGINAL ARTICLES TO THE TNA NEWS EDITOR

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Due to a fortunate purchase by the Jonathan K. Kern Co. ancient department we can now offer again our very popular Roman empire denari portrait gallery. These ancient Roman silver denari (singular denarius) were struck during the height of the Roman Empire from 69 to 235 AD. The Roman Empire stretched from Scotland to Arabia, from Morrocco to Poland, from Germany to Egypt, and the Mediterranean was known as the "Roman Lake". It was an empire like the world had never known and has not known since. Dozens of aspiring generals and tyrants like Justinian, Charlemagne, Napoleon, and Hitler tried and failed to recreate the Roman Empire. All roads lead to Rome. When in Rome do as the Romans do. About every third word in the English language had its start in Roman Latin. Liberty on US coins is usually shown wearing or holding a Liberty cap which the Romans used to designate a free person. The Mercury head dime is named after the Roman messenger god. The fasces on the reverse is a symbol of Roman justice. The Roman Empire was the birth culture of the Christian religion. All one has to do is visit modern Rome now and look at the Colosseum built by Vespasian, the triumphal arch of Titus, Trajan's Column, and the Forum of Trajan. These are 2,000 year old ruins which represent only a small fraction of the awe inspiring grandeur of this amazing civilization.

The average weight is about 3.5 grams of good silver. They were hand struck with the reverse die embedded in an "anvil" of log cross section and the obverse die was held and struck with a hand sledge hammer. These silver jewels were struck in massive quantities to fuel the economic needs of a vast thriving empire, and indeed as this hoard demonstrates, the oldest denari in the hoard passed from hand to hand for over 125 years before being buried. They were struck by hand engraved dies by skilled artists known as celators. The portraits of all the different Roman emperors and their family members are like a portrait gallery of miniatures, silver busts, or like a precious metal three dimensional photo album. The reverse dies were also carefully engraved, usually to depict all the gods, goddesses, heroes, and nymphs of Roman mythology. Other reverse commemmorated military victories, religious or political events, or just plain propaganda.

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Amazing Hoard cont

The silver denarius was also the power base by which Roman emperors maintained the loyalty of their legions These paid professional legionaires, though proud to be part of the Roman army, were just as happy serving a rival claimant to the Imperial Purple if he happened to have a more generous war chest overflowing with denari All through the reign's **NERVA** and all the other Adoptive emperors the standard pay of the legionaire was 300 denari a year

Just by handling these treasures of the past one can almost hear the drums giving a cadence to the tromp of the Legion's advance and the trumpets signaling the charge against the enemy lines! But after the battles are over and the paymaster has distributed the denari to the surviving legions what happened then? For a denarius a Roman could buy 12 large loaves of bread, or 24 small loaves A serving of table wine (probably watered which was acceptable) cost an as, or 1/16 of a denarius Vintage wine cost 1/4 a denarius a serving In the Holy Land an amphora of olive oil from the Galilee cost one denarius A bunch of grapes or 10 figs cost an as, or 1/16 of a denarius An ox sold for 100 denari, and a calf 20 denari and a ram 8 denari, and 5 sparrows cost 1/8 denarius It could cost a trader 10,000 denari to lease a ship (galley) A scribe a highly educated man, earned 12 denari a week He ate and drank for 4 denari a week and his clothing also cost 4 denari a week (he must have dressed quite well because a commoner could buy sackcloth which would last years for only 4 denari)

3 **HADRIAN**, 117-138 A D VF $79

4 **SABINA**, died 137 A D Fine $69

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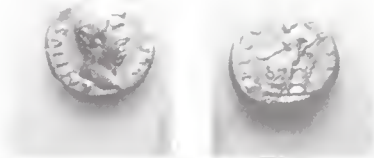
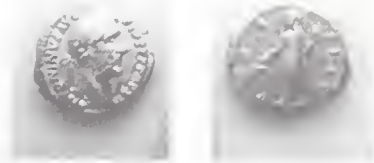
THE ADOPTIVE EMPERORS COINAGE OF ROME'S ZENITH

The English historian Edward Gibbon termed the second century A D the "happiest age in history" Between 96 and 180 A D the Roman Empire was ruled by a series of capable emperors After the assassination in A D 96 of Domitian, the last of the Flavian emperors the Senate chose one of their own members the elderly **NERVA** to succeed to the throne To secure the support of the army, the new emperor adopted the general **TRAJAN** as his son and heir in A D 97 This adoption set a precedent for the next four emperors--**TRAJAN**, **HADRIAN**, **ANTONINUS PIUS**, and **MARCUS AURELIUS**, would come to the throne as the adoptive son of their predecessor Under these "adoptive emperors" the Roman Empire would reach the zenith of its power and prosperity

In A D 98 **TRAJAN** became emperor upon the death of **NERVA**. Under **TRAJAN**, the Roman Empire underwent its last significant territorial expansion After two campaigns (A D 101-102 and 105-106) **TRAJAN** annexed the Kingdom of the Dacians (modern Romania) In the Forum of Rome there still stands the awe inspiring column of **TRAJAN** depicting the military campaign against the Dacians in detail as over 2 500 figures spiral upward around the 125 foot height



5 **AELIUS, CAESAR**, 136-138 A D Fine $179



6 **ANTONINUS PIUS**, 138-161 A D VF $59

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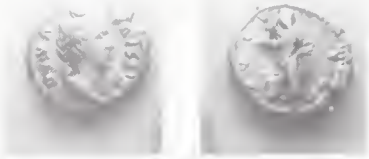
In A.D. 106 the kingdom of the Nabataeans was converted into the Roman province of Arabia Petraea. In 114 a dispute with Parthia led **TRAJAN** to annex Armenia and invade Mesopotamia. In A.D. 116 Mesopotamia was declared a Roman province. However rebellions in the East, including those of the Jews, forced **TRAJAN** to retreat. He died in A.D. 117 before he could resume campaigning in the East. Before his death **TRAJAN** named his adopted son **HADRIAN** as his heir.

The reign of **HADRIAN** was one of consolidation. The new emperor gave up **TRAJAN'S** eastern conquests—Arminia regained its former status as a Roman vassal state. Other Frontiers were strengthened. In Britian the wall he built to defend against the Scottish tribes is still to be seen. **HADRIAN** spent most of his reign outside of Italy, touring the provinces to see first-hand what were each territory's needs. **HADRIAN** married a grand neice of **TRAJAN'S** named **SABINA**, but they had no children. In A.D. 136 **HADRIAN** adopted a certain L. **CEIONIUS COMMODUS** who took the name **AELIUS CAESAR**, as his son and heir. However the death of **AELIUS** in A.D. 138 compelled **HADRIAN** to designate a new heir. **ANTONINUS** [illegible] to **HADRIAN** compelled **ANTONINUS** to adopt **LUCIUS VERUS**, the son of **AELIUS** and a nephew of **ANTONINUS**, **MARCUS ANNIUS VERUS**, renamed **MARCUS AURELIUS**. **HADRIAN** died later thal same year.



FAUSTINA SENIOR, died 141 A.D. VF $59

MARCUS AURELIUS, 161-180 A.D. VF [illegible]

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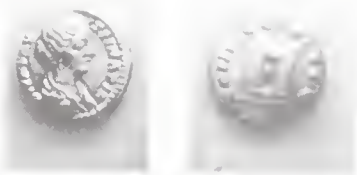
The reign of **ANTONINUS PIUS** (A D 138-161) was notable chiefly for its tranquility, although in Britian a new defensive line north of **HADRIAN'S** wall was built to keep the Scottish tribes further at bay. His wife **FAUSTINA SENIOR**, died in 141 A D so the vast majority of her coinage was commemorative in nature. Also notable was the long apprenticeship of **MARCUS AURELIUS** who was named Ceasar in A D 139. He married a daughter of **ANTONINUS PIUS** and **FAUSTINA** in 145 A D. She is known to history as **FAUSTINA JUNIOR**. By the time of the death of **ANTONINUS** in A D 161 **MARCUS** was thoroughly prepared to assume the burdens of office. As it turned out they would prove to be considerable.

Upon his accession, **MARCUS AURELIUS** elevated his adoptive brother **LUCIUS VERUS**, to the position of co-emperor. **MARCUS**, however was clearly the supreme authority. **LUCIUS** married the eldest daughter **LUCILLA**, of **MARCUS** and **FAUSTINA JUNIOR** in 164 A D. **MARCUS** was to spend much of his reign on campaign. Invasions of German tribes from the north and of Parthians from the east bedevilled the empire. Plague brought back from the east by the army in A D 166, swept the empire (a second wave of plague carried **LUCIUS VERUS** away in A D 169). Despite these shocks, **MARCUS** was able to restore order on the eastern frontier and was poised to annex territories on the northern frontier at the time of his death A D 180. **MARCUS** was succeeded by his son **COMMODUS**, thus breaking the pattern of succession through adoption and with the acession Rome's greatest era came to an end.

COMMODUS proved to be a despot who became quite insane. **COMMODUS** thought he was the god Hercules and he is depicted as Hercules on a number of his coins. He would enter the arena himself to fight gladiators and wild beasts. There were several plots against him one of which involved his sister **LUCILLA**, whom he put to death. **COMMODUS'** wife **CRISPINA** was banished early in his reign and later executed. **COMMODUS** was eventually assassinated Dec 31 192 A D and the Roman Empire entered an era of anarchy.



9 **FAUSTINA JUNIOR** died 1[illegible] A D VF [illegible]

10 **LUCIUS VERUS**, 161 169 A D
VF $89

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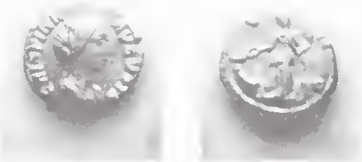
11 LUCILLA, died 182 A.D. VF $69

12 COMMODUS, 177-192 A.D.
VF $69



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4. Meeting date, time and place

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1996

Oct 26-27 **Fort Worth, TX** **60 Tables**
36th Annual Coin Show, Fort Worth Coin Club
Green Oaks Inn, I-30 & Green Oaks Rd., Fort Worth, TX
Contact: Gary Hill, (214) 263-7334

Oct 31-Nov 2 **Dallas, TX** **200 Tables**
The Silver Dollar Convention Inc.
Dallas Market Hall, 2100 Stemmons Freeway
Contact: Marlene Highfill, Box 25, Broken Arrow, OK 74013-0025
Ph. (918) 258-6265

Nov 22-24 **Wichita Falls, TX** **35 Tables**
Annual Wichita Falls/Red River Coin & Stamp Club Coin Show
Wichita Falls Multi-Purpose Events Convention Center
Contact: Connolly O'Brian (817) 723-1792,1503 Beverly WF TX76309

Nov 22-24 **Houston, TX** **67 Tables**
Coin Show Sponsored by the Pasadena Coin Club
Holiday Inn - Hobby Airport, 9100 Gulf Freeway
Contact. Bourse Info. - Box 58155 Houston, TX 77258

Nov 30-Dec1 **Irving, TX** **75 Tables**
Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Coin & Card Show
Howard Johnson Airport Inn, 120 W. Airport Freeway (Old Hwy 183)
Contact Paul or Doug, (972) 262-4491Box 224584, Dallas, TX 75222

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Jan 2-4 **Fort Worth, TX** **70 Tables**
12th Texas Coin Dealers Assoc. Show
Tarrant County Convention Center, East Hall, 1111 Houston St
Contact Chris Keogh, Box 9107, Fort Worth, TX 76147
Ph (817) 336-1782

Feb 1-2 **Fort Worth, TX** **65 Tables**
15th Annual Winter Coin & Stamp Show
Green Oaks Inn 6901 West Freeway
Contact Joe or Linda Wade, (817) 485-1777
6420 Diamond Loch, Fort Worth, TX 76180

Feb 1-2 **College Station, TX** **60 Tables**
Bryan-College Station Coin & Card Show, Sponsored by the Brazos Valley Coin Club.
Ramada Inn, 1502 Texas Ave., (Business Highway 6).
Contact: Robert or Jean Stanley, P.O. Box 242, Wellborn, TX 77881, Call: 409-690-6745.

Feb 1 **Austin, TX**
Central Texas Coin, Stamp, and Sports Card Show
Quality Inn - South, 2200 S. IN-35 at Oltorf
Contact: Francis Smith (512) 448-6372

Feb 14-16 **Houston, TX** **115 Tables**
40th Annual Money Show
J.W. Marriott (Galleria), 5150 Westheimer, Houston, TX
Contact: Jesse Vaughan, 6610 Stewart Rd., Suite 127, Galveston, TX
Phone: (409) 740-2563

Feb 21-23 **El Paso, TX**
34th Annual Coin Show, Sponsored by the International Coin Club of El Paso, Quality Inn, 6201 Gateway West
Contact. Randy Abbey, P.O. Box 3535 El Paso, TX 79923

March 1 **San Antonio, TX** **29 Tables**
Alamo Coin Show, Sponsored by the Alamo Coin Club
Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd., at Loop 1604 NE.
Contact: Harold Eiserloh, PO Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201-8714. Phone: (214) 341-6587

April 12 **Austin, TX**
Central Texas Coin, Stamp, and Sports Card Show
Quality Inn - South, 2200 S. IN-35 at Oltorf
Contact: Francis Smith (512) 448-6372

May 3-4 **San Antonio, TX** **30 Tables**
The Gateway Coin Club - Coin and Collectables Show
Bestwestern Oak Hills (Medical Center), 7401 Wurzback Rd.
Contact: Ray E. Tate, PO Box 12964, San Antonio, TX 78212
Phone: (210) 271-3429

June 13, 14, 15 **Houston, TX** **105 Tables**
39th Annual "TEXAS 97" SHOW
The Texas Numismatic Association Show and Convention
J.W. Marriott Hotel (Galleria), 5150 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX
Contact: Byron S. Paris - Show Chairman, (713) 261-3412 or (713) 558-1540

June 21-22 Austin, TX 35 Tables
Coin Show Sponsored by the Capital City Coin Club
Quality Inn - South, 2200 IN-35 at Oltorf
Contact (512) 444-0561, P O Box 33159, Austin, TX 78764

July 12 Austin, TX
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August 30 San Antonio, TX 29 Tables
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October 4 Austin, TX
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December 6 San Antonio, TX 29 Tables
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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I

Mid-Cities Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)

President Jim Fitzgerald called the August meeting to order with 37 members and guests present. Gary Hill gave the program on different monies of the world. Kim Groves stated he is having a hard time finding a show location, and would like for members to help look.

There were 34 members at the September meeting. Kim Grove presented a program on coin oddities and curiosities. Mr. Dillon from Dillon Gage Inc, Dallas, has been invited to our club to present the program for November.

The Mid-Cities Coin Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30.

--Bob Millard, Corresponding Secretary

DISTRICT IV

Williamson County Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)

At Aug 1st meeting there were 9 members and guests. Mr. Krammer called the meeting to order. The club signed its traditional "short snorter" and each member got the note of the month, from Mr Krammer. For the show and tell protion of the meeting a member showed some signed bronze coins from Syracuse He discussed some theories about the artist responsible for the coins of this ancient city Mr. Sherva had some Chinese cash. Erin Davis gave a presentation on the ANA Comvention and on her Numismatic Theater presentation "The Coins of Constantine the Great". Mr. Lairkos brought a fabricated 1921 MS-69 double obverse Morgan dollar Mr. Krammer discussed Spanish Riyals and showed a 1937 Canadian paper money set.

There were 10 members at the Sept 5th meeting Jeffrey John Meyer is the newest member. Mr. Meyer was congratulated for receiving the TNA - VIP award. Mr. Meyer provided the short snorter, a Japanese government issue for the Philippines under Japanese occupation. Mr. Liarkos brought his US tpe set for show and tell. A member showed some 15-16th century Portuguese coins. Mr Magness brought the coins that were in his grandfather's pocket when he passed away in 1920. He also showed a 1899 $5 certificate, the only bill with an Indian on the obverse. Mr. Meyers showed and 1899 Guernsey 2 doubles piece, and a Holy Roman Empire coin from Hungary circa 1549 Mr. Midgett showed an 1872 commemorative trade dollar from Peru

--Erin Davis, Club Secretary

DISTRICT V

Dallas Coin Club. (Club Newsletter).

At the August 15th meeting there were 16 members present. The ANA sent awards for those members that gave programs. Gary Hill reported that the Mid-Cities club is having a hard time finding a place to hold a show, but hopes to have one for spring 1997. Debbie Williams brought in letters to send to our senators in favor of the proposed circulating commemorative quarter program. The rest of the 1997 red books sold to members for $6 each. Gary Hill brought in another 60, 1994 red books for club members to distribute to schools and libraries in the Dallas area, and surrounding communities. This brings to 155 the total number of red books given out this year. We have received numerous letters of thanks. Benny Bolin gave the program on "Fractional Currency". Thanks to Joe Olson, TNA President, the club is now incorporated. Club member Scott Carlton sent the club an autographed copy of his new book, "The International Encyclopaedic Dictionary of Numismatics".

President Frank Clark called the September 19th meeting to order with 17 members present. The call for nominations for club officers will be at the October meeting. The November meeting will be the time to vote for the 1997 officers and said officers will be installed at the January 1997 meeting. The Christmas dinner will be on either the 11th or 12th of December depending on which day we can get the room. The club members voted to have the dinner catered again this year by Bailey's Barbeque because everyone enjoyed the food so much last year. There will be a White Elephant auction again this year with all proceeds going to the club to help pay for the dinner. Hal Cherry bought some of the ANA "Coin Collecting Starter Kits" for kids, and donated them to the club to be given out to young people to get them interested in collecting. Gary Hill told everyone about the large note and gold collection at the Citizens National Bank of Waxachie, and suggested we get together a field trip like we did when we went to see the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Hal Cherry gave the program on the Nickel, all members received charts with photos of all types of nickels minted in the US and had to match the front with the back of each.

The Dallas Coin Club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Dallas International Center (Preston Center) in Dallas at 7:30pm.

--Michael P. Grant, Club Secretary

Collin County Coin Club. (Collin County Coin Club Chronicles)

The August meeting was called to order with 24 members and guests present. Gary Parent brought a letter for club members to send to their congressional reps regarding the 50 states commemorative quarter program. Ray Lyall volunteered to work security for the show. President Rogers reviewed the ANA information regarding IRS rules and tax exempt non profit coin clubs.

All the tables for the Sept. show are sold out.
The club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at Steak Kountry in McKinney, at 7:30pm.
--Jim Ranes, Club Secretary/Editor

DISTRICT VI

Bellaire Coin Club, (Club Newsletter).

On Aug 5th there were 28 members and guests present. Ed Stephens has been confirmed as the official secretary until the next nomination of officers. Norma Levy stated that the children's age for the auction at the show needs to be adjusted before the next show. The Bellaire librarian sent a note thanking the club for the donations. John Evans gave the program on "World War II Short Snorter's".

The president called the Aug. 19th meeting to order with 37 members and guests present. Dale Friend spoke on the ANA Show and Comvention in Denver. Jim Bevill read thank you notes from people that were at the club show. David Bowers sent a letter and a package of "The Coin Collector" magazines. Mr. Bowers donated a couple of books to the Bellaire library. Houston Pearson donated come currency to the club Club members discussed ideas for marketing the club to the public. The Sept. 2nd meeting will be cancelled because the library will be closed Stan Garczynski gave the program on "Protecting the Warsaw Mint Collection from Advancing Nazi Armies During World War II.

Twenty-five members and guests attended the Sept 16th meeting. Bill Hooven reminded everyone of the coin show on Sept. 22nd The club is receiving the Greater Orange Coin Club newsletter. Ed Arrich gave the program on "American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar".
The Bellaire Coin Club meets the first and third Mondays of each month at the Bellaire Library, at 7:00pm.
--Michael Wolford, Club Editor

Clements Coin Club, (The C-Cubed).

The Sept. 12th issue of the C-Cubed had officer elections There are five people running for President, four for Vice President, three for Secretary, five for Historian, two for Treasurer, and one for Editor As you can see this club has a tough race going on for he 1997 season.

The Sept. 26th issue showed that the club has been around 10 years The winners for office are: Bhavin Shah - President, Betty Chen - Vice President; Sini Jacob - Secretary; Vivian Kaw - Treasurer; Jennifer Yu - Historian, and Bradley York - Editor.

The Clements Coin Club is our young numismatists club from Clements High School in Sugarland, Texas.
--Sini Jacob, Club Secretary

Greater Houston Coin Club. (Double Shift)

At the August 15th meeting there were 26 members and 2 guests present. Jerry Clemons said Ralph Ross has 30 display cases that will be returned to the club. The Money Show chairman announced that 49 tables have been sold for the next show. Mr. Wolf Biedefeld presented a program on "German Inflation Money"

The Greater Houston Coin Club meets the third Thursday each month at the Saint Paul Presbyterian Church in Houston at 7:30pm.

-Stan Garczynski, Editor & Benard Loebe, Club Secretary

DISTRICT VII

Alamo Coin Club. (The Alamo News).

At the August 8th meeting there were 17 members and guests present. Lou was installed as a Board member. All show tables are sold out. Wayne gave a program showing everyone how to establish the dates on Japanese coins. The chart in the Standard Catalog of World Coins shows to first establish the country, then the emperor, and year of reign. The chart shows how to establish the year by our calendar. This works for older Chinese and Korean coins also. Pye showed a Hacienda Token of 1911 from the Guatimoc Coffee Plantation. Tom showed a Romanian 100,000 Lei coin of 1946.

On August 22nd there were 22 members and guests. Vicki won the door prize for the second meeting in a row. Harold reported all tables for the show on Sept. 7th have sold. Robert brought a Franklin Half Dollar with a "bugs bunny" die clash. Lou has a cent from 1955 with only the last 5 doubled. And a double die 1942-P Mercury dime.

On Sept. 12th there were 23 members and guests present. The show was a success with over 200 visitors. Flyers of the Dec. 14th show were handed out. Lou brought a BU 1957-D Quarter to the meeting, and a 1899-O Morgan Dollar, Tim showed an Hawaiian 10c,25c and dollar coin.

At the 26th meeting there were 22 members and guests. George gave a program on a collection of Roman Sestertii from Mero (54-68AD) to Postumus (259-268AD). Wayne visited two Middle Schools and talked to the Vice Principals about coin collecting seminars for the kids.

The Alamo Coin Club meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at the Maverick Cafe in San Antonio at 7:00pm.

--Harold Eiserloh, Club Editor

Gateway Coin Club. (The Gatepost)

The July 4th meeting opened with 12 members present. Vice President Don Hunter conducted the meeting. Ed Witt donated 50 [illegible] envelopes to mail The Gatepost. Py Coryell brought a rare 1899 Mexican one cent and a 1772 large silver 8 reales. Larry Foster showed a 1875 twenty cent piece, and a miniature US type coin set. Ed

Witt spoke on the Australian monitary system and on philatelic shows

The July 18th meeting was auction night and had 21 members and 2 guests present. Miriam Gilmore gave an update on the 1946 coin exhibit on display at the Jefferson State Bank. Bill Ruteledge presented Frank and Karla with a Veladi Ranch Steak House gift certificate for conducting the installation of officers of the club since 1980. The program was presented by Frank Galindo on "Collecting Lindbergh Medals and Memorabilia". Member Ed Witt met Charles Lindbergh during his early school days

There were 20 members and guests at the Aug. 1st meeting. Ray Tate ordered 1996 mint sets for the club to be used as raffle prizes Arrangements were made for the upcoming banquet. Karla read a letter by Michael Lantz, retired Denver Mint employee, who would like to speak to the club. The members voted to accept Mr. Lantz's offer to speak to the members early next year when he is in San Antonio. Miriam Gilmore was appointed the Chairman of the nominating committee. The committee will announce their recommended slate of officers at the August 15th meeting Wayne Gordon will be teaching a class on numismatics as a part of the Northside School District's Community Education Program.

The August 15th meeting had 22 members and 4 visitors Ray Tate won the attendance prize, a prospector silver round Miriam Gilmore announced the nomination committee recomended the re-election of the current officers. Jim English gave the educational program on "World War II Emergency Currency of the Philippine Islands". Sept 5th and Oct. 3rd will be auction nights, and Sept. 19th is the installation of the officers. The 34th Anniversary and Installation Banquet will be on Sept. 19th, at 7:00pm at The Black-Eyed Pea.

The Gateway Coin Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thrusdays of each month, at Shoney's Restaurant, at 7:00pm.

--Frank Galindo, Club President

DISTRICT IX

South Plains Coin Club, (Club Meeting Report Form)

At the August meeting there were 29 members present Sharron Rice told about the ANA seminar James Golden, Dick Rice, and Ken Wendling all attended the grading seminar. Mac Teakell is recovering from surgery. The club decided to have four officers and three board members next year, a nominating committee. Free starter kits were given at the ANA, these were brought back and given to kids at the meeting Mike Kennedy gave a program on "Coins of the Third Reich"

Sharron Rice called the September meeting to order with 28 members present. Gary Satterwhite, Bill Bevers, Mike Kennedy are the members of the nominating committee They will be calling on members for nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and three board members. Nominations will be made at the

October meeting and the election during the November meeting The Christmas dinner and auction will be at the Clubhouse again this year. Sharon Rice will make the arrangements. Greg Cronholm gave the program on "Twenty Cent Pieces".
The South Plains Coin Club meets the first Monday of each month at the Precinct Club House, at 7:30pm in Lubbock.
--Lamonte Pitzer, District IX Governor; and Sharron Rice, Club President

DISTRICT XI
Golden Spread Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)
A few members attended the ANA Convention and reported on it during the August meeting. Ken Horn attended two days and Franky Hill was there but had trouble getting a room. R L Tompkins program to the Kwainians went very well. The September program will be a video on the "1913 Liberty Nickel". The final financial report on the show gave the club a profit, so the club members voted to give half of it to the Bates Scholarship at WTA&MU in Canyon Also donations were mad in the memory of Lois Stewart, and 5 Red Books were given to the Amarillo & Canyon Libraries as well as Coin World Subscriptions.
The Golden Spread Coin Club meets the first Monday of each month at the Boatmen's First National Bank in Amarillo at 7:00pm
--Nela Runkle, Editor

DISTRICT XIII
Wichita Falls-Red River Stamp & Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)
The September program by Connolly R O'Brien is on "Starting a Mail Order Business/Coin Shop". Connolly has become a successful coin dealer he gives advice on becoming involved in the business of serving collectors and investors in the field of numismatics The bi-annual election of TNA officers are due, each member of the TNA is encouraged to nominate and vote on the persons they would like to see hold office. The current district governor of District XIII is Ray Whyborn, his term expires when the convention convenes in 1997 in Houston. Everyone should try to bring a new visitor to the next club meeting.
The Wichita Falls-Red River Stamp & Coin Club meets the fourth Thrusday of each month at the Beverly Dr United Methodist Church at 7 30pm.
-- Raymond E. Whyborn, Secretary

DISTRICT XV
Beaumont Coin Club (Club Newsletter)
The July 18th meeting was called to order by Vice President Ed White with 11 members attending President Bill Stein and Sec Judy

Matherne were at the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. Art Larkin reported that the Port Arthur News disagreed with the amount billed for the show advertising. There was no final decision on whether there will be one or two shows per year. Five hundred flyers are being made up to be placed all over the area announcing the show. The Bellaire Coin Show appeared to be a success. Ed White gave a program on items from the Eliasberg Auction. Ed compared ten items with the Red Book prices and found some ranged from $10 - $60 more than the book. A few actually were lower than the Red Book. The fall show will be held on Sept. 28th.

President Bill Stein called the Aug. 15th meeting to order. The club is overseeing the funds from the Southeast Texas Coin & Collectibles Show. The club has contacted the local Boy Scouts to see what may be done to encourage young people in Scouting to become interested in coins. The Scouts have said they need counselors for kids who are interested in coin collecting. Ruben Lopez sent out letters to other coin clubs across the country to share ideas on youth participation and increasing membership, he has received several letters in response. The fall coin show has 11 tables paid for at this time. Ads will be placed in local papers and flyers sent out. There will be a youth auction on the Saturday of the show. There was a group discussion on Type II $20 gold pieces from the sunken ship, Central America. The discussion moved to the recently revealed "Subway Hoard" that was pruchased by Littleton Coins.

The Beaumont Coin Club meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Lower Neches Valley Authority Admin. Building in Beaumont at 7:00pm.

--Judy Matherne, Club Secretary

Orange Coin Club. (The Double Eagle).

There were a large number of people on vacation during the meeting date, so attendance was low. At the July meeting each member was given two buffalo nickels to give to someone that they thought would really enjoy one. Copies of the newsletter are now being sent to other clubs around the country to exchange ideas. The show committee will discuss posibilities of a show in Orange. Ruben Lopez attended the Bellaire Coin Show and said it was one of the best he has gone to.

The Orange Coin Club meets the second Thursday of each month at the Thomen Community Center in Orange at 7:00pm.

--Ruben Lopez, Club President

Greater Port Arthur Coin Club. (Dollars And Cents)

The August meeting had 23 members and guests present. The program by Mr. McManus was on "Cash or Strong Box Keys". Some of the keys dated back to the 19th century and had very intricate details.

The James Rodriquez Memorial World Coin Book was delivered to the Port Arthur Library. Barbara Edwards said the show committee will meet on August 24th. Next month's program will be presented by Jerry Williams on "Fractional Currency". Jerry Williams stated he has come up with an unknown coin variety, and will tell all at the ANA convention. Barbara and Jerry will be at the Red Book anniversary party on Saturday at the ANA.

The September meeting was a "Summer Night Under the Stars" meeting. Fourteen members were present at this meeting. Barbara Edwards will give the October program on the National ANA Convention. The Orange/Port Arthur Spring Show looks very good. The Ramada Inn in Orange will be the site and Dewey Scott is the Bourse Chairman. The president asked for volunteers for the different committees, the Nomnating Committee, and the Awards Committee. Ed White reported that the US House passed the Commemorative Quarter Bill. Jerry Williams gave a very interesting program on "Fractional Currency".
The Greater Port Arthur Coin Club meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at the County Clinic on Viterbo Rd., in Port Arthur at 7:00pm.
--Ray Gannaway, Club Secretary

Silsbee Coin Club. (Club Newsletter)

Jim Cawley called the July meeting to order. The fall show will be September 28-29. Jerry William's is in the process of having new cards made up that will give information on each club's time and meeting place. The members had a discussion on the 1996-W dime in the mint sets. It was agreed that it will become very wanted in the near future. Judy reported on her trip to the ANA Summer Seminar. She took a course on Mexican Revolutionary Coinage 1913-1917. Bill Stein also attended the Seminar and took the Grading Course. Jack Provost gave the program on the "1913 Nickel", with only 5 minted it is one of the rarest US coins.

The August 27th meeting was called to order by President Jim Cawley. Jerry Williams has completed the project, making new cards for the area clubs. These cards will be distributed at the upcoming show. The big topic of discussion is the Fall Coin Show on Sept. 28-29 in Beaumont. The Annual Silsbee Club Auction will be in October. Judy will accept the lots and prepare the auction list for mailing. Bill Stein will act as grader. The December Christmas party will be on Dec. 17th at 7:00pm at Catfish Cabin. Judy gave a program on Mexican Revolutionary Coinage 1910-1920.
The Silsbee Coin Club meets the last Tuesday of each month at the GSU Center at 7:00pm.
--Judy Matherne, Acting Club Secretary

District XVII

Waco Coin Club. (Wacoinews)

President Mal Lucas called the July meeting to order with 23 members present. George Kubal gave the financial report on the show and regular account. The club cards need to have Inc written on them before any more are passed out The convention center has already been reserved for next March. Fred Gowdy will continue to be called the Governor as he is the representative for the TNA The Money History In Our Hands tape has been added to the library Dabney Meeker donated Mexican Coins to the club, half will go to Coins for teachers and the other half to the TNA The program was given by J.P. Jones and Mal Lucas.

At the August meeting Vice President Alan Wood presided over 24 members and two guests. The program was presented by Robert Schultze. on the Old Volumes of the Numismatists. and The Young Numismatist, also called First Strike.

The Waco Coin Club meets the second Thursday of each month at the Waco Democratic Party Center, at 7:30pm.

--Ginny Dillard. Club Secretary

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